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TAGS: TSPA EG

SUBJ: EGYPTIAN INTEREST IN ATOMIC REACTOR

AGREEMENT

REF: STATE 156347

1. LAST EVENING, OMAR SIRRI TELEPHONED, AT FAHMY'S

BEHEST, TO SAY THAT THE MINISTER IS ANXIOUS TO HAVE THE ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT SIGNED DURING HIS VISIT TO THE US IN EARLY AUGUST. FAHMY EXPECTS MINISTER OF ELECTRICITY SULTAN TO ACCOMPANY HIM AND SULTAN WOULD PROBABLY DO ACTUAL SIGNING. FAHMY, THROUGH SIRRI, URGED THAT ALL FEASIBLE STEPS BE TAKEN TO ARRANGE THIS.

2. I POINTED OUT TO SIRRI THAT WE ONLY RECENTLY RECEIVED AN AMENDED VERSION OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENT, ALTERING THE TEXT WHICH WAS GIVEN TO SULTAN DURING THE LATTER'S VISIT TO US. CHANGES HAD BEEN NECESSITATED AS A RESULT OF INTENSE CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TO ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROPOSED ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENTS WITH EGYPT AND ISRAEL. TO AVOID CONFUSION, THE EMBASSY HAD PREPARED A NEW REVISED TEXT INCORPORATING  
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THESE CHANGES. I PLANNED TO CALL ON SULTAN ASAP TO

GIVE HIM THE NEW TEXT. I STRESSED TO SIRRI THAT THE IDENTICAL CHANGES ARE BEING INCORPORATED IN THE AGREEMENT WITH THE ISRAELIS AND SAID I WOULD ALSO SO INFORM SULTAN.

3. WHEN CALLING SULTAN'S OFFICE TODAY FOR AN APPOINTMENT, WE WERE INFORMED THAT HE HAD LEFT FOR ALEXANDRIA AND WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL SUNDAY. HOWEVER, I NOW HAVE AN APPOINTMENT FOR 1300 SUNDAY, JULY 28, AT WHICH TIME I WILL GIVE HIM THE REVISED TEXT AND EXPLANATIONS.

4. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO CONCLUDE THE ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT DURING FAHMY'S VISIT. IF NOT, I SHOULD SO INFORM FAHMY AND SULTAN WITHOUT DELAY.

5. I HAVE ALSO SEEN A COPY OF THE ATHERTON-SISCO MEMORANDUM, DATED JULY 10, 1974, PROPOSING A STRATEGY FOR HANDLING THE EGYPTIAN REQUEST FOR USG FINANCING OF THE NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR DURING CURRENT CALENDAR YEAR. MEMO ENCLOSED A COPY OF A PROPOSED LETTER FROM UNDER SECRETARY SISCO TO SULTAN IN ANSWER TO THE LATTER'S LETTER OF JULY 2. PLEASE ADVISE IF THAT LETTER HAS IN FACT BEEN SENT TO SULTAN. IF NOT, I COULD TACTFULLY CONVEY THE INFO CONTAINED THERIN TO SULTAN WHEN I SEE HIM. I COULD ALSO DISCREECTLY SPEAK TO HIM ABOUT THE FINANCING PROBLEMS MENTIONED IN THE MEMO AS OUTLINED IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN. SOME REFERENCE TO THESE HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE BY NOOTER DURING HIS TALK WITH SULTAN, SO IT WILL NOT COME AS A COMPLETE SURPRISE. PLEASE ADVISE URGENTLY.  
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